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Southeast Pierce County: Eldorado residents asked to boil their tap water

OLYMPIA — Residents of the Eldorado Estates neighborhood in Graham are encouraged to boil their tap water after a water main break late Tuesday night. The break caused about 160 homes to lose water or water pressure.

When pressure is lost, contaminants can be drawn into the water lines. Although pressure has been restored, the Valley Water District issued the boil water advisory this morning as a precaution until the water can be tested to ensure it meets safe drinking water standards.

Residents in the affected area should have received alert calls from Pierce County Emergency Management. The affected area is 240th Street East south to 254th Street East, 144th Avenue East to 158th Avenue East, and a few homes on County Drive from Rim Road to 240th Street East.

Residents are encouraged to boil tap water used for drinking, brushing teeth, preparing food, making ice, and washing dishes. Tap water should be brought to a rolling boil for one minute and allowed to cool before using.

"We appreciate how well Valley Water District responded to this outage," said Denise Clifford, director of the agency's Office of Drinking Water.

Customers will be notified when the advisory ends, and should call Valley Water District at 253-841-9698 if they have questions.

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